



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

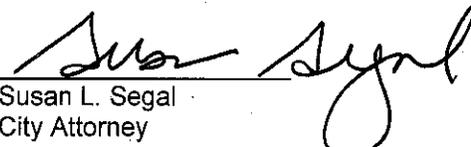
Date: November 22, 2011  
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee  
Referral to:

**Subject:** *Darrell Williams v. Mark Durand and City of Minneapolis*  
United States District Court File No. 10-cv-02092-ADM/JJK

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the settlement of this case by payment of \$24,500 to Darrell Williams 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:   
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): Fund/Org. 06900 1500100 145400  
 Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

**Community Impact**

**Background/Supporting Information**

Plaintiff Darrell Williams alleges that Minneapolis Police Officer Mark Durand used excessive force against him and battered him on July 10, 2009.

A settlement conference was held before Magistrate Judge Tony N. Leung on November 21, 2011. The City was represented by Council Member Cam Gordon, MPD Deputy Chief Scott Gerlicher, and Assistant City Attorneys Amanda Trelstad and Sara Lathrop. A proposed settlement of all claims was reached in the amount of \$24,500.00, including all claims for damages, attorney's fees and costs. This settlement would also resolve claims of Mr. Williams and his wife that were dismissed at summary judgment, but for which they could potentially appeal. The parties involved believe that the proposed settlement is in the best interests of the City and recommend approval by this Committee and the City Council.