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Date: February 12, 2020

To: Honorable City Council

From: Law Department

Re: Law Department Report on MVA Settlements as authorized by resolution of the Detroit City Council.

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The Law Department has submitted a privileged and confidential memorandum regarding the above-referenced matter. Please submit this item for referral so that Council may consider any action that is necessary.



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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

RE: Butler, LeRod Butler v PO. R Benitez et al,
Case No: 16-CV-14272
File No: L16-00745 RJB

We have reviewed the above-captioned lawsuit, the facts and particulars of which are set forth in a confidential memorandum that is being separately hand-delivered to each member of Your Honorable Body. From this review, it is our considered opinion that a settlement in the amount of **One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and ^{NO}/Cents (\$180,000.00)** is in the best interest of the City of Detroit.

We, therefore, request authorization to settle this matter in the amount of **One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and ^{NO}/Cents (\$180,000.00)** and that Your Honorable Body direct the Finance Director to issue a draft in that amount payable to **LEROD BUTLER** and **HIS** attorney, **ROBINSON & ASSOCIATES PC** to be delivered upon receipt of properly executed Releases and Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No. 16-CV-14272, approved by the Law Department.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/Robyn J Brooks
Assistant Corporation Counsel

APPROVED: FEB 14 2020

LAWRENCE T. GARCIA
Corporation Counsel

BY: */s/ Krystal Crittendon*
KRYSTAL A. CRITTENDON
Supervising Assistant Corporation Counsel

Attachments

R E S O L U T I O N

BY COUNCIL MEMBER _____:

RESOLVED, that settlement of the above matter be and is hereby authorized in the amount of **One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and ^{NO}/Cents (\$180,000.00)** and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper account in favor of **LEROD BUTLER** and **HIS** attorney, **ROBINSON & ASSOCIATES PC**, in the amount of **One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars and ^{NO}/Cents (\$180,000.00)** in full payment for any and all claims which LeRod Butler may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged injuries sustained on or about, and otherwise set forth in Case No. 16-CV-14272, that said amount be paid upon receipt of properly executed Releases, Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No. 16-CV-14272 and, where deemed necessary by the Law Department a properly executed Medicare/CMS Final Demand Letter.

APPROVED:

LAWRENCE T. GARCIA
Corporation Counsel

BY: /s/ Krystal Crittendon
KRYSTAL A. CRITTENDON
Supervising Assistant Corporation Counsel

Approved by City Council: _____

Approved by the Mayor: _____