



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

Date: November 25, 2013
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee
Referral to:

Subject: Claim of Paula Kruchowski

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the settlement of this claim by payment of \$32,500.00 payable to Paula Kruchowski and her attorney, Bill Tilton of Tilton & Dunn, LLP, from Fund/Org. 6900 150 1000 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*
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

- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goal(s):
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning Code
- Other

Background/Supporting Information

Claimant Kruchowski alleges that Minneapolis Police Department 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 \$32,500.00, including all claims for damages, attorneys' fees and costs. The City Attorney's Office and the 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.

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