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July 19, 2005

## HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

Oakland, California

Subject: <u>Jacqueline Baker v. City of Oakland, et al.</u>

Alameda County Superior Court No. RG04147116

Our File No. X02214

Dear President De La Fuente and Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Charter, the City Attorney has prepared and recommends settlement of the above-entitled matter arising from the alleged failure to accommodate a disability under the Fair Employment and Housing Act for a total sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand and No Cents (\$120,000.00), to be made payable to Jacqueline Baker and Ronald Carter, Esq., her attorney.

Plaintiff alleges that the City failed to accommodate her disability from March 5, 1999 until her separation from employment on September 27, 2002. The settlement is recommended to avoid the risk of an adverse verdict at trial and the additional exposure for attorney's fees should that occur. This case was discussed in closed session July 19, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. RUSSO City Attorney

Attorney Assigned: Maria Bee

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## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO.	C.M.S.
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF JACQUELINE BAKER v. CITY OF OAKLAND, ET AL., ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. RG 04147116, OUR FILE NO. X02214, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$120,000.00. THIS CASE INVOLVES CLAIMS OF FAILURE TO ACCOMMODATE A DISABILITY UNDER THE FAIR EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING ACT. (OAKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT - EMPLOYMENT)

**RESOLVED:** That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of Jacqueline Baker v. City of Oakland, et al., Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG 04147116, City Attorney's File No. X02214, for a sum not to exceed a total of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$120,000.00) payable by the City of Oakland to Jacqueline Baker and Ronald Carter, Esq., her attorney.

**FURTHER RESOLVED**: That the City Attorney is further authorized and directed to take whatever steps may be necessary to effect said settlement; and be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$120,000.00) be paid to Jacqueline Baker and Ronald Carter, Esq., her attorney.

IN COUNCIL, OAKL	LAND, CALIFORNIA,, 2005
PASSED BY THE F	FOLLOWING VOTE:
AYES- BROO	OKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, NADEL, QUAN, REID, WAN AND PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE
NOES-	
ABSENT-	
ABSTENTION-	
	ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California

