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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL
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**Subject: Christopher Robert Saites v. City of Oakland And DOES 1 to 10
Alameda County Superior Court, Case No. RG20050438
City Attorney File No. 33640
(Department of Transportation – Dangerous Condition)**

President Fortunato Bas and Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to Section 401 of the Charter, the City Attorney has prepared and requests your approval of a resolution authorizing compromise and settlement of the above-entitled claim for the sum of One Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$185,000.00), payable to Plaintiff Christopher Robert Saites, through his attorneys, the law firm of Brownstein Law Group.

This action against the City of Oakland arises out of an alleged fall by Plaintiff Christopher Robert Saites while riding a scooter on March 28, 2019 on Sixth Street, near the intersection with Franklin Street in Oakland. Plaintiff alleges that he hit a pothole, which caused him to fall from his scooter and suffer extensive, complex maxillofacial fractures, requiring two surgeries thus far and additional surgeries in the future. The City has determined that settlement in the amount of \$185,000.00, without admitting liability and to avoid further litigation, is in the best interest of the City.

The Council authorized settlement of this case in Closed Session on Thursday, March 18, 2021 (moved by Councilmember Loren Taylor and seconded by Councilmember Dan Kalb - 8 Ayes).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barbara J. Parker".

BARBARA J. PARKER
City Attorney

Assigned Attorney:
Han Tran