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May 4, 2010

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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

Oakland, California

Subject:

Settlement Agreement in the Amount of \$36,900, with the Port

of Oakland to Cover a Portion of the Environmental Monitoring

Costs at Spunkmeyer Field

President Brunner and Members of the 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 Port of Oakland's claim against the City for a share of environmental monitoring costs at Spunkmeyer Field, a Port-owned property that the City leases for recreational use. Under the circumstances, settlement by offset to the Port is recommended in the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$36,900) for two main reasons: (1) due to the risk of an adverse verdict if the Port pursues litigation; and (2) other contributing parties may withdraw if the City does not agree to settle the claim at this time.

This action arises from the Port's claim that the City of Oakland, the City of Alameda, and Waste Management of Alameda County formerly used the Spunkmeyer Field site over an extended period of time, and therefore, all must contribute to the Port's costs for environmental investigation of groundwater conditions, as required by the Regional Water Quality Board. This matter was approved in closed session on December 8, 2009. The other parties agreed to the terms of the Settlement Agreement in March 2010.

Very truly yours,

John A. Russo

Attorney Assigned:

Diane Lewis



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Approved as to Form and Legality

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