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HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL
Oakland, California

Subject: Omar Rodriguez, an individual v. City of Oakland, a government entity; Starigh Morris, an individual; The Hertz Corporation, a corporation; Hertz Vehicles LLC, a limited liability company; CRST Van Operations, a corporation; California Department of Transportation, a government entity; Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, a government entity, and Does 4 through 20, Inclusive Alameda County Superior Court Case No. 23CV031920 City Attorney File No. 35479 (Department of Transportation – Dangerous Condition of Public Property)

President Jenkins 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 lawsuit for the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$100,000.00).

This case arises out of an accident on March 30, 2022, at the intersection of International Boulevard and 80th Avenue, where an unknown hit-and-run driver struck Plaintiff Omar Rodriguez (“Rodriguez”) as Rodriguez walked across International Boulevard in a marked crosswalk. Rodriguez alleges the crosswalk was a dangerous condition of public property. Rodriguez claims a variety of injuries from the accident including a collapsed lung, broken ribs, broken bones in the face and head, and a broken pelvis. Rodriguez also claims a traumatic brain injury caused light sensitivity and cognitive impairment.

The Council has determined that settlement in the amount of \$100,000.00, without admitting liability and to avoid further litigation, is in the best interest of the City.

The City Council authorized settlement of this case in Closed Session on Thursday, October 9, 2025 (moved by Council President Kevin Jenkins and seconded by Councilmember Noel Gallo - 5 Ayes, 3 Excused – Councilmembers Rowena Brown, Ken Houston, and Janani Ramachandran).

Respectfully submitted,


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