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**HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL**  
Oakland, California

**Subject: Chana Trahan v. City of Oakland, et al.**  
**Alameda County Superior Court Case No. HG18918504**  
**City Attorney File No. 32459**  
**(Oakland Police Department – Automobile Accident)**

President Rebecca Kaplan and Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to Section 401 of the City Charter, the City Attorney has prepared and requests your approval of a resolution authorizing the compromise and settlement of the above-entitled action in the sum of: One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$154,000.00) payable to Law Offices of Leonard S. Becker and Chana Trahan.

This action arises from a September 25, 2017 automobile accident involving an Oakland Police Department vehicle at the intersection of High Street and International Boulevard. An Oakland Police Department Explorer collided with a Ford Mustang driven by Chana Trahan in the early morning, while traveling Code 3 (lights and sirens) and estimated to be traveling at a high rate of speed.

The Council authorized settlement of this case in Closed Session on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 (moved by Councilmember Noel Gallo and seconded by Councilmember Sheng Thao - 7 Ayes, 1 Absent – Councilmember Gibson McElhaney).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Barbara J. Parker' with a stylized flourish at the end.

BARBARA J. PARKER  
City Attorney

Attorney Assigned:  
Kevin P. McLaughlin

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# OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF CHANA TRAHAN V. CITY OF OAKLAND, ET AL., ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. HG18918504 IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTH-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$154,000.00) ARISING FROM A SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 AUTO ACCIDENT INVOLVING AN OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE AT THE INTERSECTION OF HIGH STREET AND INTERNATIONAL BOULEVARD (OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT – AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT)**

**WHEREAS**, an Oakland Police Department Explorer collided with a Ford Mustang driven by Chana Trahan in the early morning of September 25, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oakland Police Department vehicle was traveling Code 3 (lights and sirens) and estimated to be traveling at a high rate of speed; and

**WHEREAS**, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. HG18918504 was filed against the City of Oakland and Officer Luis Roman alleging personal injury claims based upon negligence in operating a motor vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, without admitting fault or wrongdoing, the City has determined to compromise Chana Trahan’s claim against it and Officer Roman for the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$154,000.00); now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of Chana Trahan v. City of Oakland, et al., Alameda County Superior Court Case No. HG18918504 for the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$154,000.00); and be it

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

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,  
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND  
PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES –

ABSENT –

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
LATONDA SIMMONS  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the  
City of Oakland, California