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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

88913 RESOLUTION NO. C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF MICHELE WILLIAMS V. CITY OF OAKLAND, AND DOES 1 THROUGH 20, ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. RG19042561, CITY ATTORNEY'S FILE NO. 30925, IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$400,000.00) (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS -**NEGLIGENCE**)

WHEREAS, Plaintiff Michele Williams alleges that the City's storm drain pipe located in an easement in the back yard of her residence deteriorated and broke apart, creating a large sinkhole next to the exterior wall of the home; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff alleges that the house experienced substantial settlement as a result of the ruptured storm drain, that caused damage to the interior and to the foundation of the house; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff filed a complaint against the City in the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Alameda, Case No. RG19042561, alleging a claim of negligence; and

WHEREAS, the City has considered all the evidence, litigation costs, and litigation risks in this case; and

WHEREAS, the City admits no wrongdoing or liability; and

WHEREAS, the parties and their legal counsel have negotiated a fair and reasonable settlement of these claims; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of Michele Williams v. City of Oakland, and DOES 1 through 20, Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG19042561, City Attorney's File No. 30925, for the sum of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$400,000.00); 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:

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AYES- Fife, Challo, Kalb, Kaplan, Reid, Taylor, Thao & Bas -8

ATTEST:

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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of

Oakland, California