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September 21, 2010

HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

Oakland, California

Subject: Christopher Russell v. City of Oakland Alameda County Superior Court No. RG07-356462 City Attorney File No. 25960 (OPW)

President Brunner 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 action. Due to the risk of an adverse jury verdict under the circumstances settlement is recommended in the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$13,000.00) payable to Plaintiff Christopher Russell and Richard Meier, his attorney.

This action arises from an incident on April 9, 2007 wherein Mr. Russell tripped and fell on uneven pavement in Oakland. This matter was not heard in closed session.

Respectfully submitted,

JÓHN A. RUSSO City Attorney

Attorney Assigned: JAMES F. HODGKINS

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RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF CHRISTOPHER RUSSELL V. CITY OF OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. RG07-356462 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,000.00 AS A RESULT OF TRIPPING AND FALLING ON UNEVEN PAVEMENT IN OAKLAND, CA. (OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS - OPW)

RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of <u>Christopher Russell v. City of Oakland</u> City Attorney's File No. 25960, for the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$13,000.00); 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; and be:it as a statement is a settlement of the statement is a settlement.

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars and a second second

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, ____, 2010

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- DE LA FUENTE, KERNIHGAN, NADEL, REID, QUAN, BROOKS, KAPLAN and PRESIDENT BRUNNER NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California