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September 21, 2015

HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

Oakland, California

Subject: <u>Kenneth Windsor v. City of Oakland</u> Alameda County Superior Court No. RG14-733628 City Attorney File No. 29958 (Public Works– Dangerous Condition)

President Gibson-McElhaney 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. Due to the risk of an adverse jury verdict under the circumstances settlement is recommended in the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$80,000.00) payable to Plaintiff Kenneth Windsor and his attorney Nicholas J. Mastrangelo.

This action arises from an incident on September 7, 2013, wherein Mr. Windsor struck a pothole while riding his bicycle in front of 6421 Benvenue Avenue in Oakland. Mr. Windsor suffered a fracture to his right wrist and soft tissue injuries to his right thumb and shoulder requiring medical treatment.

The Council authorized settlement of this case in Closed Session on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 (moved by Councilmember Dan Kalb and seconded by Councilmember Anne Campbell-Washington – 5 Ayes, 3 Absent, Councilmembers Brooks, Gallo and Reid).

Respectfully submitted,

BARBARA J. PARKER

City Attorney

Attorney Assigned: Charles E. Vose

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RESOLUTION NO.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO COMPROMISE AND SETTLE THE CASE OF KENNETH WINDSOR v. CITY OF OAKLAND, ALAMEDA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. RG14-733628, IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$80,000.00) AS A RESULT OF A BICYCLE ACCIDENT ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2013 (PUBLIC WORKS-DANGEROUS CONDITION)

WHEREAS, Kenneth Windsor was injured when he struck a pothole and fell from his bicycle in front of 6421 Benvenue Avenue in the City of Oakland on September 7, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Windsor sustained injuries requiring medical treatment as a result of this accident; and

WHEREAS, Alameda County Superior Court Action RG14-733628 was filed against the City of Oakland alleging a dangerous condition of public property; and

WHEREAS, In order to avoid the risk of an adverse jury verdict under the circumstances; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Attorney is authorized and directed to compromise and settle the case of Kenneth Windsor v. City of Oakland, RG14-733628, City Attorney's File No. 29958, for the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$80,000.00); 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

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$80,000.00) be payable to Plaintiff Kenneth Windsor and his attorney Nicholas J. Mastrangelo.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: BROOKS, CAMPBELL-WASHINGTON, GALLO, GUILLÉN, KALB, KAPLAN, REID AND PRESIDENT GIBSON MCELHANEY

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTION:

ATTEST: _____