



Legislation Text

File #: 18-0676, Version: 1

Dept/ Agency: Law

Action: () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Purpose: Settlement of Civil Litigation

Docket No.: United States District Court - 15-05481 (KM-JBC)

Claimant: Alanna L. Lawrence

Claimant's Attorney: Cedric Ashley, Esq.

Attorney's Address: Ashley Law Firm, 707 Alexander Road, Building 2, Suite 208, Princeton, New Jersey, 08540-6331

Settlement Amount: \$150,000.00

Funding Source: Insurance Trust Fund

Additional Comments:

WHEREAS, a suit was instituted in the United States District Court of New Jersey captioned Alanna L. Lawrence v. City of Newark, et al., Docket Number: 15-05481 (KM-JBC), in which the Plaintiff alleged defendant wrongfully terminated her; and committed other actionable conduct with respect to Plaintiff's employment with the City of Newark; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made to resolve this litigation by execution of the attached Settlement Agreement and Release and a payment to Plaintiff in the total amount of \$150,000.00 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents); and

WHEREAS, the Acting Corporation Counsel based upon all facts and circumstances deems it is in the best interest of the City of Newark to resolve said matter by payment of the proposed Settlement Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

1. The Acting Corporation Counsel is hereby authorized on behalf of the City of Newark to execute and accept the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Release, attached hereto.

2. Upon receipt by the Acting Corporation Counsel of all documents deemed necessary, the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to issue one check in the amount of \$150,000.00 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents), which payment shall be made payable to "Alanna Lawrence and her attorney, Cedric Ashley", with offices located at 707 Alexander Road, Building 2, Suite 208, Princeton, New Jersey, 08540-6331.

3. The Funds for this settlement will come Business Unit NW 025, Dept. 25T, Dv./Proj. 7T25,

Account# 96340, Budget Ref. B2018, in the amount of \$150,000.00 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents), for the purpose set forth herein.

4. A fully executed copy of the Settlement Agreement shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk by the Acting Corporation Counsel.

5. This resolution shall be effective upon adoption in accordance with applicable State Law.

STATEMENT

This Resolution authorizes the Acting Corporation Counsel, on behalf of the City of Newark, to enter into a Settlement Agreement and Release to settle civil litigation captioned, Alanna L. Lawrence v. City of Newark, et al., Docket Number: 15-05481 (KB-JBC), in exchange for Plaintiff's dismissal of any and all claims against the City of Newark and its employees and a complete release.