



Legislation Text

File #: 12-2374, Version: 1

Dept/ Agency: Law

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

Purpose: Settlement of Civil Litigation

Docket No.: ESX-L-3592-09

Claimant: Barbara Burke

Claimant's Attorney: Bramnick, Rodriguez, Mitterhoff Grabas & Woodruff, LLC

Attorney's Address: 1827 East 2nd Street, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076

Settlement Amount: \$310,000.00

Funding Source: City of Newark/Automobile Liability/Automobile

Additional Comments:

Invitation: Corporation Counsel, February 5, 2013

WHEREAS, a suit was instituted in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Essex County Superior Court, Law Division, captioned, Barbara Burke v. City of Newark et al. v. Nicholson Raymond, Docket No. ESX-L-3592-09, in which the plaintiff sought recovery for damages for personal injuries allegedly sustained on April 30, 2007 as a result of the alleged negligent actions of City of Newark employees; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made to resolve this litigation in its entirety by payment in the total amount of \$310,000.00 (Three Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars); and

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

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

1. The 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 Corporation Counsel of all documents deemed necessary, the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to issue a check in the amount of \$310,000.00 (Three Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars), which payment will be made payable to "Barbara Burke and Bramnick, Rodriguez, Mitterhoff Grabas & Woodruff, LLC," and which payment will be mailed to Bramnick, Rodriguez, Mitterhoff Grabas & Woodruff, LLC, 1827 East 2nd Street, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076.

3. Annexed hereto is the Certification of Funds issued by the Director of Finance, City of Newark, which states that there are available sufficient legally-appropriated funds from Fund 025, Agency 25T, Organization 6T25, and Object 96330, in the amount of \$310,000.00 (Three Hundred

and Ten Thousand Dollars), for the purpose set forth herein.

4. A copy of the Comptroller's Certification shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk along with this Resolution by the Corporation Counsel.

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

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

STATEMENT

This Resolution authorizes the Corporation Counsel on behalf of the City of Newark to enter into a Settlement Agreement and Release to settle civil litigation in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Essex County Superior Court, Law Division, captioned, Barbara Burke v. City of Newark et al. v. Nicholson Raymond, Docket No. ESX-L-3592-09, in the amount of \$310,000.00, in exchange for Plaintiff's dismissal of any and all claims against the City of Newark and its employees, and a complete release.