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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay the sum of \$6,765.00 in full settlement of lawsuit entitled *State Farm v. City of Long Beach*, Case No.: C0705176.

DISCUSSION:

This suit arises out of tree branch falling onto plaintiff's insured's vehicle. The car was damaged in the amount of \$9,664.27. The tree in question had a history of limbs breaking and was removed following the instant incident.

The parties were able to reach a tentative settlement agreement of \$6,765.00, subject to City Council approval.

The Economic Development and Finance Committee approved the proposed settlement on November 11, 2008.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney

Bv:

BARRY M. MEYERS, Deputy

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