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August 21, 2012

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay the sum of \$15,000.00 in full settlement of lawsuit entitled *Bercerril v City of Long Beach*, Case No.: NC056509.

DISCUSSION

This is an alleged racial discrimination lawsuit in which plaintiff claims she was denied a promotional opportunity because of her race. In addition, plaintiff alleged that a supervisor sexually harassed her in the work place.

The case was ordered to mediation but did not settle. During subsequent settlement discussions, plaintiff agreed to accept \$15,000.00 as full settlement of this case, subject to City Council approval. The City Attorney's Office agrees with the mediator and believes that the evidence supports a settlement in this amount.

The Economic Development and Finance Committee approved the proposed settlement n August 7, 2012.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney

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RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay the sum of \$6,000.00 in full settlement of lawsuit entitled Cacho v. City of Long Beach, et al., Case No.: NC055868.

DISCUSSION

This lawsuit arises out of an accident in which a Long Beach Police Department vehicle collided with plaintiff, a pedestrian, resulting in injuries.

In light of probably liability, plaintiff agreed to accept \$6,000.00 as full settlement of this case, subject to City Council approval.

The Economic Development and Finance Committee approved the proposed settlement on August 7, 2012.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Very truly yours,

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RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay sum of \$5,756.88 in full Theodore B. Zinger settlement of lawsuit entitled State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company v. City of Long Beach, et al.

August 21, 2012

DISCUSSION

A subrogation case arose from an auto accident on August 10, 2010, on the 405 Freeway near Bushard Street in Fountain Valley, involving a City vehicle driven by a Fire Department employee. Plaintiff, State Farm, was seeking reimbursement of repair costs and deductible to their insured's vehicle in excess of \$7,800. After extensive negotiation, State Farm agreed to accept \$5,756.88 as settlement in full.

The Economic Development and Finance Committee approved the proposed settlement on August 7, 2012.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney

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HOWARD D. RUSSELL, **Deputy City Attorney**

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