



## Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Attorney to pay the sum of \$20,000 in full settlement of the lawsuit entitled *Maria Croucier v City of Long Beach*, Case No. NC055323.

On April 20, 2010, Maria Croucier tripped and fell on a City Sidewalk near 3848 Gaviota Avenue. Plaintiff alleged that late afternoon shadows concealed the uneven portion of the sidewalk.

Croucier sustained a torn Achilles tendon that required a surgical repair, which did not heal properly. She underwent several weeks of wound debridement. Her total medical specials are in the \$140,000 range and she makes a lost earnings claim of approximately \$10,000.

Following settlement discussion, all parties have agreed to settle this matter with the City paying \$20,000. The proposed settlement was presented to the Economic Development and Finance Committee on September 4, 2012, and was approved on that date.

Approve recommendation.

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