

# City of San Antonio

## Legislation Details (With Text)

File #: 18-2838

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Title: Ordinance approving the settlement of a lawsuit styled David Brian Ricks v. City of San Antonio, et al,

Cause Number 15-CV-00251-RCL in the United States District Court, Western District of Texas, San

Antonio Division in the amount of \$165,000.00. [Andrew Segovia, City Attorney]

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**Attachments:** 1. Ordinance 2018-04-19-0292

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
4/19/2018	1	City Council A Session	adopted	Pass

**DEPARTMENT:** City Attorney's Office

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Andrew Segovia

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** City Wide

**SUBJECT:** 

Settlement of a lawsuit styled Ricks vs. City of San Antonio, et al

### **SUMMARY:**

This item authorizes the settlement of a lawsuit styled *David Brian Ricks vs. City of San Antonio, et al*; Cause Number 15-CV-00251-RCL pending in the United States District Court, Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division in the amount of \$165,000.00 paid from the Self-Insurance Liability Fund.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

David Brian Ricks filed a lawsuit against the City of San Antonio alleging civil rights violations arising out of events that occurred on April 6, 2013 in San Antonio.

The parties have reached a mutual agreement to settle these claims including payment to David Brian Ricks in the amount of \$165,000.00 subject to City Council Approval. This amount would be paid from the Self-Insurance Liability Fund.

#### **ISSUE:**

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Settlements over \$50,000 require City Council approval.

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

If this settlement is not approved by the City Council, this case will proceed to a jury trial. It is in the best interest of the City to settle this matter to avoid the uncertainties and risks associated with litigation in a case of disputed damages.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

If approved, \$165,000.00 will be paid to David Brian Ricks and his attorney of record. This will be funded in accordance with the FY 2018 Liability Fund Adopted Budget.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this Ordinance.