

City of San Antonio

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Title: Ordinance approving the settlement of a lawsuit styled Rosanne Rocha v. City of San Antonio; Cause

Number 2016-CI-15692, pending in 224th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas in the amount

of \$230,000.00 paid from the Self-Insurance Liability Fund. [Andrew Segovia, City Attorney]

Sponsors:

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Attachments: 1. Ordinance 2019-04-18-0327

Date Ver. Action By Action Result

DEPARTMENT: City Attorney's Office

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Andrew Segovia

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: City Wide

SUBJECT:

Settlement of a lawsuit styled Roseanne Rocha v. City of San Antonio

SUMMARY:

This item authorizes the settlement of a lawsuit styled *Roseanne Rocha v. City of San Antonio*; Cause Number 2016-CI-15692, pending in 224th Judicial District Court, Bexar County, Texas in the amount of \$230,000.00. This amount will be paid from the Self-Insurance Liability Fund.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Roseanne Rocha is seeking damages as a result of an auto accident that occurred on December 16, 2015 on the I-35 access road at AT&T Parkway in San Antonio. The accident involved a vehicle being operated by Ms. Rocha and a San Antonio Police Department vehicle.

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The parties have reached a mutual agreement to settle these claims with payment to Ms.Rocha in the amount of \$230,000.00, subject to City Council Approval. This amount would be paid from the Self-Insurance Liability Fund.

ISSUE:

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, \$230,000.00 will be paid to Roseanne Rocha and her attorney of record, Ian McLin. This will be funded in accordance with the FY 2019 Liability Fund Adopted Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this item.