



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

**File Number:**19-3376

---

**Agenda Item Number:** 15.

**Agenda Date:** 4/18/2019

**In Control:** City Council A Session

---

**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 224<sup>th</sup> 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.

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.