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**HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL**

RE: Williams, Robert v City of Detroit, DPD Chief James White, et al.  
Case No: 21-10827  
File No: L21-00333 PMC

We have reviewed the above-captioned lawsuit, the facts and particulars of which are set forth in a confidential memorandum that is being separately hand-delivered to each member of Your Honorable Body. From this review, it is our considered opinion that a settlement in the amount of **Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and NO/Cents (\$300,000.00)** is in the best interest of the City of Detroit.

We, therefore, request authorization to settle this matter in the amount of **Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and NO/Cents (\$300,000.00)** and that Your Honorable Body direct the Finance Director to issue drafts in that amount payable to Robert Julian-Borchak Williams and his attorney, American Civil Liberties Union Fund of Michigan, to be delivered upon receipt of properly executed Releases and Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No.21-10827, approved by the Law Department.

Respectfully submitted,

**Patrick M Cunningham**

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Supervising Assistant Corporation Counsel

**APPROVED:**

CONRAD MALLET

Corporation Counsel

BY: /s/Jerry L. Ashford

**Jerry L. Ashford**

Chief of Litigation

Attachments

**R E S O L U T I O N**

**BY COUNCIL MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ :**

**RESOLVED**, that settlement of the above matter be and is hereby authorized in the amount of **\$300,000.00**; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Finance Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to draw a warrant upon the proper account in favor of Robert Julian-Borchak Williams in the amount of **\$139,080.00** and to draw a warrant upon the proper account in favor of his attorney, American Civil Liberties Union Fund of Michigan, in the amount of **\$160,920.00** in full payment for any and all claims which Robert Julian-Borchak Williams may have against the City of Detroit and any other City of Detroit employees by reason of alleged injuries sustained on or about January 9, 2020, and otherwise set forth in Case No.21-10827, that said amount be paid upon receipt of properly executed Releases, Stipulation and Order of Dismissal entered in Lawsuit No. 21-10827 and, where deemed necessary by the Law Department a properly executed Medicare/CMS Final Demand Letter.

**APPROVED:**  
CONRAD MALLETT  
Corporation Counsel

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Chief of Litigation

Approved by City Council: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by the Mayor: \_\_\_\_\_