



Staff Report

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TO: Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Keith Stahley, City Manager

FROM: Krishna Namburi, Deputy City Manager

SUBJECT:

Claim settlement authorization

Ward(s): All Wards

Councilor(s): All Councilors

Neighborhood(s): Good Governance.

SUMMARY:

The matter of *Cynthia Garza v. City of Salem, et. al.* is pending before Marion County Circuit Court. The matter involves a car accident involving a City of Salem Police vehicle and a vehicle in which Ms. Garza was a passenger and was injured in the accident. The City was likely at fault for causing the accident. The parties have tentatively agreed to resolve all Ms. Garza's claims for \$195,000 and a release agreement.

ISSUE:

Shall the City Council authorize the City Manager to resolve this matter with a payment not to exceed \$195,000 and execution of a release agreement?

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to resolve this matter with a payment not to exceed \$195,000 and execution of a release agreement.

FACTS AND FINDINGS:

The payment resolves all claims related to the accident, and releases the City for any future liability for any related claims or costs.

BACKGROUND:

Krishna Namburi,
Enterprise Services Director

Attachments:
None.