



City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 250013

Submitted Department/Preparer: Law

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Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

Executive Summary

Approving \$363,570.01 to settle judgment obtained by William Johnson in lawsuit entitled William Johnson v. City of Kansas City, Case No. 2016-CV17376.

Discussion

Plaintiff William Johnson filed a lawsuit claiming discrimination and retaliation related to his employment with the City. The case went to trial in August 2023 and resulted in a judgment for the Plaintiff. The proposed settlement resolves all liability, damages, and attorneys' fees for the judgment. The Law Department and Risk Management Committee recommend accepting the settlement in the amount of \$363,570.01.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. What is the funding source?
Public Official Liability Fund, Account No. 25-7010-131543-618200
3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
Decreases available funding by \$363,570.01.
4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.
No.
5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?
No.

Office of Management and Budget Review

(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

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| 1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 2. This fund has a structural imbalance. | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. | ☒ Yes | ☐ No |

Additional Discussion (if needed)

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Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the [Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
Finance and Governance (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
 - ☒ Ensure the resiliency of a responsive, representative, engaged, and transparent City government.
 - ☒ Engage in workforce planning including employee recruitment, development, retention, and engagement.
 - ☐ Foster a solutions-oriented, welcoming culture for employees and City Partners.
 - ☐
 - ☐
 - ☐

Prior Legislation

None.

Service Level Impacts

None.

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?
Not applicable.
2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?
Not applicable.
3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?
Not applicable.
4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
No (Press tab after selecting)

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5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)

Please provide reasoning why not:

Settlement with individual.

6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?
No(Press tab after selecting)