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Staff Report

File #: 20-1727A, Version: 1

Agenda Date: 10/6/2020

Subject:

Proposed settlement in the case of Dino Hadzihusic v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 19-005534-CI-20.

Recommended Action:

Consideration of the proposed settlement in the case of Dino Hadzihusic v. Pinellas County.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Summary:

The above-referenced case is being brought to the Board of County Commissioners for consideration in accordance with the confidential memorandum of October 6, 2020.

Background Information:

This matter was previously brought before the Board on October 8, 2019, under Legistar item no. 19-1655A.

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown.

Staff Member Responsible:

Jewel White, County Attorney
Christy Donovan Pemberton, Managing Assistant County Attorney
Kelly L. Vicari, Senior Assistant County Attorney
Merry Celeste, Division Director, Risk Management

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

N/A



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Subject:

Proposed settlement in the case of Dino Hadzihusic v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 19-005534-CI – allegations of personal injuries from a motor vehicle accident.

Recommended Action:

Accept the proposed settlement of \$75,000.00 in the case of Dino Hadzihusic v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 19-005534-CI.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Summary:

Plaintiff was injured when a Ford F-150 truck driven by a Pinellas County employee rear-ended his car causing him to crash into the vehicle in front of him. Prior to impact, Plaintiff had come to a stop on U.S. 19 because an extension ladder was in the middle of the road. The driver of the vehicle that dropped the ladder in the road is unknown. Plaintiff's car was totaled and Risk paid \$5,117.02 to Plaintiff for his vehicle damage. Risk also settled the claim brought by the driver of the vehicle struck by Plaintiff.

Plaintiff's medical bills to date total \$71,353.00. The statutory cap remaining on this case is \$194,882.98.

It is recommended that the proposed \$75,000.00 settlement be accepted. Risk Management and County Administration concur with this recommendation.

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Fiscal Impact:

Total amount of claim to be paid by the County is \$75,000.00.

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