



Pinellas County

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Clearwater, Florida 33756

Staff Report

COMMISSION AGENDA:

28

File #: 15-418, Version: 1

Agenda Date: 10/20/2015

Subject:

Proposal for settlement in the case of Linda Holbrook v. Pinellas County - allegations of negligence resulting in personal injuries.

Recommended Action:

Approval to reject the proposal for settlement in the case of Linda Holbrook v. Pinellas County, Sixth Judicial Circuit, Case Number 15-003952-CI-21.

Discussion:

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners reject the proposal for settlement in the above-referenced case as outlined in the confidential memo of October 20, 2015.

Staff Member Responsible:

James L. Bennett, County Attorney
Jack A. Powell, Sr. Assistant County Attorney

Distribution:

Virginia Holscher, Bureau Director, Risk Management

TO: The Honorable Chairman and Members of the
Board of County Commissioners

FROM: James L. Bennett, County Attorney *JLB*

SUBJECT: Proposal for settlement in the case of Linda Holbrook v. Pinellas County -
allegations of negligence resulting in personal injuries

DISTRIBUTION: Virginia Holscher, Director, Risk Management

DATE: October 20, 2015

Recommended Action: Approval to reject the proposal for settlement served by Plaintiff's counsel in the amount of \$200,000.00, in the case of Linda Holbrook v. Pinellas County, Sixth Judicial Circuit, Case Number 15-003952-CI-21.

Discussion: This is a personal injury action arising from a motor vehicle collision, which occurred on July 19, 2014, at the intersection of West Bay Drive and Clearwater-Largo Road, Largo, FL, when our employee, who was driving a Pinellas County pickup truck, rear-ended Plaintiff's, Ms. Holbrook's, automobile.

Ms. Holbrook's vehicle sustained \$3,420.89 in property damage. Ms. Holbrook alleges medical expenses in excess of \$65,000.00, including a surgery to install a spinal cord stimulator and then a second procedure to remove same. Ms. Holbrook claims an unspecified amount for wage losses.

Pinellas County's Risk Management Department has paid \$9,155.43 to Plaintiff's auto insurer to reimburse for medical payments made by the insurer on its insured's behalf, as well as repairs for property damage and rental car charges. Accordingly, there is a \$190,844.52 balance remaining on the statutory cap limits on Plaintiff's claim.

Risk and County Attorney staff met and reached the conclusion to recommend that the Board of County Commissioners reject this proposal for settlement.

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Loy, Norman

From: Estrada, Sue M
Sent: Monday, June 06, 2016 1:41 PM
To: Loy, Norman
Cc: Young, Bernie C
Subject: RE: ITEMS BEING HELD IN LOCK-UP.xls
Attachments: 45254.xls

Norm:

Attached is an updated version regarding items being held in lock-up. Thanks.

~ Sue

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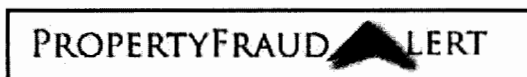
Hi Sue:

Could you please have the attached list reviewed and let me know if any of these items can be released for public view.

Thanks,

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6/6/2016

BCC MEETING DATE		ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ITEM	DATE RELEASED AND AUTHORITY
1	1/28/2014	20	Consideration of Proposal for Settlement in the Case of Shannon Baker, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Andrew James Cavanaugh, Deceased, v. Board of County Commissioners, Pinellas County, Florida, State of Florida ,Board of County Commissioners, Pinellas County, Florida, State of Florida, Department of Transportation, and Depositors Insurance Company Circuit Civil Case Number 10-16223-CI-15	JAP - Cannot be released
2	12/2/2014	15	Recommendation to Reject Settlement in the Case of GCS Energy Recovery of Pinellas, Inc. v. Pinellas County Circuit Civil Case Nos. 2014-005220-CI-13 and 14-006566-CI-11	DSC/JAM - Cannot be released
3	2/10/2015	21	Recommendation to Reject The Proposal for Settlement in the Case of Monja Djordic v. County of Pinellas, Circuit Civil Case No. 14-2446-CI-8	NSM - Can be released 6/6/2016
4	9/10/2015	31	Recommendation to Reject a Proposal for Settlement in the Case of The Richman Group of Florida, Inc. v. Pinellas County Circuit Civil Case No. 14-005608-CI-15.	NSM - Cannot be released
5	10/20/2015	28	Approval to reject proposal for settlement in the case of Linda Holbrook v. Pinellas County. Sixth Judicial Circuit, Case Number 15-003952-CI-21.	JAP - Can be released 6/6/2016
6	12/15/2015	25	Approval to reject the settlement demand in the case of Rebecca Meeker v. Steeplechase Townhomes Owners' Assn., Inc. and Pinellas County - Circuit Civil Case No. 13-004929-CI-8.	NSM - Can be released 6/6/2016
7	1/12/2015	25	Proposal of Settlement served by the Plaintiff's counsel in the Case of Shannon Baker, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Andrew James Cavanaugh, Deceased, v. Board of County Commissioners, Pinellas County, Florida, State of Florida ,Board of County Commissioners, Pinellas County, Florida, State of Florida, Department of Transportation, and Depositors Insurance Company Circuit Civil Case Number 10-16223-CI-15	JAP - Cannot be released
8	4/12/2016	19	Approval to accept an offer of settlement in the case of Linda Holbrook v. Pinellas County - Sixth Judicial Circuit Case No. 15-003952-CI-21 - allegations of negligence resulting in personal injuries.	JAP - Can be released 6/6/2016
9	5/24/2016	20	Approval to accept an offer of settlement in the case of Paul Hanson v. Pinellas County - Circuit Civil Case No. 15-006299-CI.	JAP - Cannot be released