



Pinellas County

315 Court Street
Clearwater, Florida 33756

Staff Report

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Agenda Date: 7/23/2019

Subject:

Proposed settlement in the case of Mia Sindt v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 19-001021-CI-8 - allegations of negligence resulting in personal injuries.

Recommended Action:

Consideration of the proposed settlement in the case of Mia Sindt v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 19-001021-CI-8.

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 July 23, 2019.

Background Information:

This matter was originally brought before the Board on April 23, 2019, under Legistar item no. 19-468A.

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown.

Staff Member Responsible:

Jewel White, County Attorney
Christy Donovan Pemberton, Managing Assistant County Attorney
Jared Kahn, Assistant County Attorney
Virginia Holscher, Director, Risk Management

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

N/A



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Recommended Action:

Reject the proposed settlement of \$75,000.00 in the case of Mia Sindt v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 19-001021-CI-8.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Summary:

On February 12, 2019, Plaintiff Mia Sindt filed a civil action in circuit court against Pinellas County alleging negligence in an auto accident, which occurred on June 29, 2018. It is alleged that Ms. Sindt suffered bodily injury and damage to personal property as a result of the accident.

On July 3, 2019, Attorney Paul Cavonis filed a Proposal for Settlement on behalf of Plaintiff Mia Sindt. The amount requested in the proposal was \$75,000.00, inclusive of all interest, costs and claims for attorney's fees.

Evidence gathered to date does not support settlement in the amount claimed by Plaintiff. No trial dates have been set as discovery is still ongoing.

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

Background Information:

N/A

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown.

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