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MEMORANDUM

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Subject: County Attorney's Office Quarterly Report for July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019 for claims settled between \$25,001 and \$50,000

Date: October 14, 2019

This is the Quarterly Report that is submitted to the Board of County Commissioners to be received and filed for informational purposes only.

There were two (2) General Liability settlements and no (0) Workers Compensation settlements that fell within the quarter and they are as follows:

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Deborah Lebohner Claim #18-21098

Ms. Lebohner alleged she tripped and fell on a local County owned and maintained sidewalk where a slab had been uplifted by tree roots. She claimed a dislocated left elbow that was twisted 180 degrees. Additional injuries included complex ligamentous injury, partial medial bicep muscle tear with retraction with suspected non-displaced fractures of the left radius and femur. The elbow joint was repositioned under anesthesia and a splint applied. She then underwent a nearly four-month long course of physical therapy. The case was settled prior to litigation for \$50,000.

Alamo Group (TX) Inc. Claim #1922609

This is a claim for damage to non-County property with no injury to any person. Public Works, Landscape Services uses a remote-controlled mower (Ridge Runner) on steep sided terrain where it would be dangerous to use a manned mower. The Ridge Runner was purchased from Alamo Group(TX) Inc. The County owned Ridge Runner was damaged in an accident on October 25, 2018. Alamo group loaned Landscape Services another Ridge Runner for use until the damaged Ridge Runner could be replaced. On August 19, 2019, the loaner slid down a steep embankment and fell off a nine feet high retaining wall to the sidewalk below resulting in a total loss of the machine. The Alamo Group submitted an invoice for \$45,474.00, that was paid from the Risk Management fund.