



Pinellas County

315 Court Street, 5th Floor Assembly Room Clearwater, Florida 33756

Staff Report

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File #: 20-1208A

Agenda Date: 7/21/2020

Subject:

Proposed settlement in the case of Gregory Murray v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 20-000686-CI-19 – allegations of negligence resulting in personal injuries.

Recommended Action:

Reject the proposed \$200,000.00 settlement in the case of Gregory Murray v. Pinellas County.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Summary:

On February 11, 2020, Mr. Murray filed a civil complaint alleging that on April 4, 2019, a County employee, while driving a County vehicle, failed to yield the right of way resulting in him striking the County vehicle while riding his bike on Ulmerton Road. He alleges injuries to his neck.

A Proposal for Settlement was filed on June 25, 2020, for \$200,000.00, inclusive of all interest, costs and claims for attorney's fees. Evidence gathered to date does not support settlement at this time. Discovery is ongoing.

It is therefore recommended that the \$200,000.00 proposal for settlement be rejected. Risk Management and County Administration concur with this recommendation.

Background Information:

This matter was previously brought before the Board on April 7, 2020, under Legistar item no. 20-514A.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A



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Recommended Action:

Consideration of the proposed settlement in the case of Gregory Murray 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 July 21, 2020.

Background Information:

This matter was previously brought before the Board on April 7, 2020, under Legistar item no. 20-514A.

Fiscal Impact:

Unknown.

Staff Member Responsible:

Jewel White, County Attorney
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Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

N/A