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Pinellas County

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

Staff Report

File #: 18-1449A

Agenda Date: 10/09/2018

Subject:

Proposed settlement in the case of Melinda Lamm and Bobby Lee Lamm, Jr. v. Pinellas County; Circuit Civil Case No. 17-004649-CI-7 – allegations of negligence resulting in personal injuries.

Recommended Action:

Reject proposed \$100,000.00 settlement in the case of Melinda Lamm and Bobby Lee Lamm, Jr. v. Pinellas County, and delegate to the County Administrator, or his designee, the authority to reject further settlement demands.

Strategic Plan:

N/A

Summary:

This lawsuit arises as a result of Plaintiff's alleged trip and fall over a raised sidewalk in front of 277 Overstreet Court, Palm Harbor on July 30, 2014. Plaintiff alleges multiple physical injuries; however, it appears that some of the physical injuries cited in the claim are not related to the alleged fall. Plaintiff's husband has also filed a consortium claim based on Plaintiff's injuries. Pinellas County had no prior notice regarding the raised sidewalk.

In addition to recommending rejection of this specific demand, authorization for the County Administrator, or his designee, to reject any further settlement demands without need of Board approval is requested.

Background Information:

N/A

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

Staff Member Responsible:

Jewel White, County Attorney Nancy S. Meyer, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Partners:

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Attachments:

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