



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Item Number:** 34

**Agenda Date:** October 20, 2022

**In Control:** City Council A Session

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**DEPARTMENT:** Office of the City Attorney

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Andy Segovia

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Settlement of litigation styled Priscilla Galeazzi v. City of San Antonio

**SUMMARY:**

This item will approve the settlement of a lawsuit styled Priscilla Galeazzi v. City of San Antonio, Cause Number 2020-CI-02072 pending in Bexar County District Court, in an amount of \$90,000.00. This settlement will be funded from the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

On February 18, 2019 a Solid Waste Management Employee was traveling Eastbound on Fall Pass Road in a garbage truck. The Plaintiff, Priscilla Galeazzi was also traveling Eastbound on Fall Pass Road when the garbage truck pulled out into the Plaintiff's lane striking Plaintiff's vehicle. Ms. Galeazzi suffered injuries, incurred medical expenses and is seeking to recover damages from the City.

The parties have agreed to settle Ms. Galeazzi's claims for \$90,000, subject to City Council approval. The funds are available from the FY 2023 Liability Fund Adopted Budget.

**ISSUE:**

Settlements over \$50,000 require City Council approval.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

If this settlement is not approved by the City Council, this case will proceed to a jury trial. It is in the best interest of the City to settle this matter to avoid the uncertainties and risks associated with litigation.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

If this settlement is approved, \$90,000 will be paid to Priscilla Galeazzi, through her attorney of record, Sandra Laurel of The Carabin and Shaw Law Firm. This will be funded in accordance with the FY 2022 Liability Fund Adopted Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of this item.